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Remarks

Claims 1-27 and 45-48 are pending in the application with claims 1, 11, 19 and 45 being independent claims. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the foregoing Amendments and reconsideration of the Application in light of the amendments above and the remarks below.

Election/Restriction

Claims 28-44 were withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner as being directed to a non-elected invention. Applicant has canceled claims 28-44 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

Drawing Objection

The drawings stand objected to under 37 C.F.R. 1.83(a). Applicant has added FIGURE 5 to explicitly illustrate an example of two different haptic outputs 510, 520, where the haptic output 510 has a shorter duration and a greater magnitude than the haptic output 520. Applicant has added a brief description of FIGURE 5 in the specification. Applicant submits that the support for the new drawing can be readily found in the specification and claims of the application as filed. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

Claim Objection

Claim 45 stands objected to because of a typographical error in the claim. Applicant has amended claim 45 as suggested by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the objection be withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant appreciates the indication of allowable subject matter in the application. In the Office Action the Examiner states that claims 1-27 are allowed. The Examiner also states that "[c]laims 1-27 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, set forth in this Office action." Because claims 1-27 were not rejected in the present Office Action, Applicant assumes that the statement regarding such a rejection refers to the rejection overcome by the previously filed amendment in response to the last Office Action. Accordingly, Applicant assumes that claims 1-27 are allowable.



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CONCLUSION

All rejections and objections have been addressed. Applicant believes that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

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Enclosure: New Figure 5

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